# Ranger-led Programs April 2012

# Frozen Head State Park and Natural Area

Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation

#### Friday, April 13

#### Night Sky

#### 8:30 PM at Visitor Center

Join Ranger Hodge to learn about the constellations and more as we explore the night sky over Frozen Head through the park's telescope. Suitable for all ages. May be canceled if raining. For updates, please visit the park Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/FHSPNA or call the ranger at (865) 617-3403.

#### Saturday, April 14

#### 44th ANNUAL WILDFLOWER PILGRIMAGE & Natural Areas Week Event

#### Wildflower Walk

#### 10:00 AM at Visitor Center

Join Middle TN Regional Interpretive Specialist John Froeschauer, for identification and appreciation of the many wildflowers that are along the trails of Frozen Head.

#### Wildflower Walk 2:00 PM at Visitor Center

This wildflower walk will be led by Kris Light, east Tennessee wildflower expert and educator. Kris will help us discover the natural world around us. Unique wildflowers, trees, insects and other critters will be "uncovered" during the walk.

## Sunday, April 15

#### 44th ANNUAL WILDFLOWER PILGRIMAGE & Natural Areas Week Event

#### **Bird Walk**

#### 9:00 AM at Visitor Center

Join Ranger Hodge to learn about the birds of Frozen Head we will take a short easy walk in search of birds to discuss identification and biology.

#### Wildflower Walk 2:00 PM at Visitor Center

Come join Randy Hedgepath, State Naturalist, along this wildflower walk. Ranger Randy has over 25 years experience as an interpretive specialist with Tennessee State Parks.

### Friday, April 20

#### Bird Walk 9:00 AM at Visitor Center

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# Saturday, April 21

#### 44th ANNUAL WILDFLOWER PILGRIMAGE

#### Wildflower Walk 10:00 AM at Visitor Center

# Join Monique Hodge, Pickett State Park Ranger, as she leads this interpretive hike identifying wildflowers and forest ecology.

#### Wildflower Walk 2:00 PM at Visitor Center

This wildflower walk will be led by Michael Hodge, Frozen Head's Interpretive Specialist. Ranger Hodge has an extensive Natural History background, so bring your questions and curiosity to this exciting walk.

Frozen Head State Park and Natural Area

964 Flat Fork Rd. Wartburg, TN 37887 (423) 346-3318 On the World Wide Web:

http://www.tennessee.gov/environment/parks/FrozenHead https://www.facebook.com/FHSPNA

Visitor center open 8:00 am - 4:00 p.m.

All Programs are free and open to the public.

Programs are equal opportunity. Please let the ranger know if you need assistance.

There is a fee for camping in the Big Cove and Flat Fork Camping Areas.

#### Sunday, April 22

#### 44th ANNUAL WILDFLOWER PILGRIMAGE

#### Bird Walk 9:00 AM at Visitor Center

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#### Wildflower Walk 2:00 PM at Visitor Center

Robin Wooten, Natural Areas Program Manager, will be the guide for this walk. Please join Robin as she identifies the vast variety of wildflowers displayed here at Frozen Head...

#### Friday, April 27

#### Night Sky 8:30 PM at Visitor Center

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#### WILDFLOWER PILGRIMAGE

Spring wildflowers are spectacular at Froze Head and this is the 44<sup>th</sup> year the park has presented its annual wildflower pilgrimage. Please join us as we have invited an outstanding group of leaders to guide you through the wildflowers of the park. Please see the dates and information above and as always please give us a call if you have any questions.





#### Natural Areas Week is April 9-15

The Tennessee Natural Areas Act was passed 41 years ago, in May 1971. Tennessee now has 82 designated state natural areas totaling more than 120,000 acres where rare, endangered or unique plant and animal species are protected for future generations. There are more than 50 events scheduled to celebrate Tennessee State Natural Areas Week from April 9 through April 15.

Visit http://tn.gov/environment/na/events/seasonal.shtml to find a Natural Areas Week event for your schedule.

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